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PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION
IS NOW FIRMLY ESTABLISHED
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Any stamp collector may become a member of this Association by applying to the Secretary; such application shall be signed by at least two members of the Association, and shall be accompanied by the sum of $1.00, to be credited on account of annual dues if the applicant is admitted, and to be returned if admission be refused. The Secretary shall thereupon cause the name and address of the applicant and his reference to be published in the next number of the Official Journal, and if no objection shall be received by the Secretary within one month after such publication, the applicant shall be considered elected, and entitled to receive the membership card of the Association.

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DONALD A. KING,

HALIFAX, N. S.

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SECOND ANNUAL CONVENTION.

THE OFFICIAL REPORT.

An explanation is due to the members of our Association for the delay in the publication of the official account of the Convention. This was partly due to the failure of the Halifax Philatelist to come to time in August, and when it was arranged for the Dominion Philatelist to fill the vacancy for the balance of the year, I was taken sick and ordered away to the country by my doctor, and had to abstain from all work. Hoping the explanation is satisfactory, and that you will pardon the delay,

I am respectfully,

DONALD A. KING,
Secretary.

CANADIAN PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION CONVENTION OF 1889.

Convention opened in Y. M. C. A. Hall, Halifax, N. S., on Wednesday morning, the 31st July, at 10.30

President Hechler in the chair. Members present, Mess. Hechler, Hart, Kaye, Craig, DeWolf, Goodrich, Stone, Emory, Larsen T., Larsen O., Jubien and King.

The roll call shewed that 52 members were represented in person or by proxy. A committee on credentials was appointed consisting of Messrs. Theo. Larsen, Emory and Hart.

Moved by Stone, seconded by Kaye that all members holding proxies will write their names on cards and hand them in to the committee on credentials. Motion put to vote and carried.

Moved by Larsen, seconded by Stone, that the President appoint two members to assist Executive Committee in counting ballots as only one member of said committee is present. President appoints Messrs. Olaf Larsen and Stone to assist in count.

Moved by Stone, seconded by Goodrich, that meeting should adjourn until 2.30 p. m. —Carried.

Afternoon Session.

Convention opened at 2.30 p. m. Moved by Craig, seconded by Emory that roll call and reading of minutes be dispensed with—Carried.

Committee on credentials report proxies are held as follows:—

W. C. Stone	20
A. J. Craig	17
D. A. King	2
H. Hechler	4

Moved by Stone, seconded by Craig that the report of committee on credentials be accepted.—Carried.

Moved by Craig, seconded by Gooderich, that the election of officers be deferred until Friday morning.

It was decided that the rules which governed the last Convention be adopted for the present one.

On motion of Hart, seconded by Stone, a vote of thanks was tendered the Brooklyn Philatelic Club for the series of photographs presented the Association.

The question of only one foreign corresponding member was then brought up and after considerable discussion it was moved by Hart and seconded by Larsen, that the matter be deferred until the Secretary furnish some papers in connection with it.—Carried.

The President then read his address.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

Ladies and Gentlemen:—

In calling this, the second Annual Convention of the Canadian Philatelic Association, to its deliberations, I cannot refrain from expressing the gratification felt by the Nova Scotia Branch at having the opportunity to greet so many members of our Association from the sister Provinces. We also gladly welcome our friends from beyond the borders of our Dominion. Though they are foreigners to us in their national allegiance we meet them here on—I will not say neutral—but on com-

mon ground as philatelists. As such we extend to them a most hearty and cordial and brotherly greeting.

I have summoned this Convention thus early because I believed that it would best serve the convenience of the majority to meet for the purpose of discussing the various topics that are of interest to our Association during the pleasant summer holidays than later on when business engagements will recall them to their regular avocations, and when it will be more difficult to get away.

This is, in a certain sense, a new association and we have, as was natural, met with difficulties and disappointments, but, I am happy to say, with none that have not been surmounted with more or less ease.

We have suffered the loss of some of our most valued members during the past year by their transferring their residences. In this connection I may be permitted specially to name Mr. Walker, who made himself such a favorite with all the members who had the privilege of attending last year's Convention. Though absent he will never be forgotten by those who came in contact with him.

The reports of the Secretary, Treasurer and other officers will be duly submitted, and I am glad to be able to assert that all these officers have very efficiently performed the duties devolving upon them and have materially aided me in the efforts that I have made to cause the Canadian Philatelic Association a success.

During the short period in which I have had the honor to fill the highest office in the gift of this Association, I have experienced that, through the want of sufficient inducement to members, some of them have dropped out of our ranks. I cannot too strongly impress upon the proper committee the advisability of revising the statutes and regulations so that members of this Association, whether they are also members of their respective provincial branches or not, shall have equal access to the Exchange Sheets. At present they do not enjoy this privilege.

My chief object when accepting the office was to extend the influence of this Association by instisuting affiliations with sister societies. I have not, as yet, been able to accomplish much of a definite nature in this direction, but I hope that during my projected tour in Europe I shall have an opportunity to close the several negociations now pending.

The success of all societies, as of this, depends upon all the members working harmoniously together for the common good.

In closing I gratefully acknowledge the uniform courtesy extended to me by all the members while I have held office.

I assure you that I shall always, whether I hold office or not, endeavor to render my best services to the advancement of the objects of this Association—the science of Philately.

Moved by Stone, seconded by Emory,—That a vote of thanks be tendered the President for his address.—Carried unanimously.

Secretary's report was then read.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

We have now in our Association nominally 173 paying members, but there should be deducted from these 32 members, who have never paid their dues, some only their deposit fees, others nothing at all. This leaves us, in reality, only 141 actual paying members, and we have five applications on hand, who will be elected, bringing the total up to 146. Now this is not enough, and I would like to respectfully impress on every member the necessity of getting more to join. In Canada, where there are so many collectors, 146 members, (and not all Canadians), is a very poor showing. If every member would get at least one new member before the end of the year, we would soon be much stronger. As it is now there are only a few who interest themselves to get new men. At the end of the half year I sent to all members owing, a card notifying them of their dues, Those have been fairly well responded to, but not as much as they ought to be. I have received 44 remittances, out of 173, up to this date, 30th July. I sent cards to all of the 32 names before mentioned, and as none have responded, I intend to send their names in a list to the Executive Committee for their action. Mr. McMinn's (the former Secretary), accounts have been audited to the end of April by Mr. Hooper, and found correct. Attached will be found mine to this date :—

RECEIPTS.

Cash receipts to April 30	$ 115 57
" " July 30	66 82
	$ 182 39

DISBURSEMENTS.

Disbursements to April 30	$ 106 75
Cash to Secretary April 30	8 82
Disbursements to date	37 66
Cash on hand	29 16
	$182 39

Moved by Craig, seconded by Theo. Larsen. —That report be accepted.—Carried.

Treasurer's report was then read.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts.

Jan.	1st,	by cash on hand	$ 5 82
"	20	" from J. A. Leighton	13 38
Mar.	4	" from T. J. McMinn.	26 45
"	25	by dues to date	10 50
April	13	by cash from T. J. McMinn.	10 11
"	30	" Secretary	8 82
"	30	by dues to date	3 00
July	12	by cash from Secretary	12 00
"	27	" " "	1 87
			$91 95

Payments.

Jan.	30	To money order	$ 0 10
"	30	" discount on stamps	0 10
Mar.	4	" " "	0 52
April	15	" allowance to official organ	12 50
July	2	" Secretary's salary	6 25
"	2	" cards	2 00
"	10	" allowance to Official Organ	12 50
			33 97
		Balance on hand	57 98
			91 95

July 31, 1889.

Moved by Stone, seconded by Emory,—That Treasurer's report be accepted.—Carried.

Report of Exchange Superintendent was then read.

REPORT OF SUP'T OF EXCHANGE.

To the Officers and Members of the C.P.A.

Since my last report to 1st Annual Convention, held in Toronto in September, 1888, I have had a largely increasing business to attend to. On account of my semi-annual balance being made on 1st Aug., 1889, I will be unable to make as full a statement as may be desirable. Ninety-two books were circulated in the Exchanges from 15th September 1888, to 1st July, 1889, of which 72 have been returned, and 20 are still on circuit. Value of the 92 books, $4345.48. Value of the 72 returned books, $3113.54, from which stamps were removed to the amount of $1053.46, a trifle over one third.

C. P. A. in account with F. J. Grenny, Exchange Superintendent.

1888 CASH ACCOUNT.

Sept.	20	To balance	$ 1 47
Oct.	20	" 25 envelopes, large	0 50
Dec.	26	" envelopes and paper	0 64
1889.			
Feb.	14	" envelopes, large	0 50
Feb.	14	" express charges on sheets to Toronto and return	1 00
April	11	to type-writing	0 60
May	2	" 2 blank books	0 45
June	30	" paper and envelopes	0 75
		" paid ad. *Halifax Philatelist*	1 00
July	1	Postage to date	29 96
			36 87

1889.			
Jan.	1	To balance	$ 6 12
		By sale of 625 S. and H. at 5c. each	30 75
		" balance	6 12
			36 87

On the 1st of February, 1889, a balance was made of all Exchange accounts, and a statement sent to members. Full payment of all balances due has been made, with the exception of three members, to whom part payment only has been made, owing to the fact that H. C. Kendall, of Emmettsburg, Iowa, owes a balance of $26.27, and F. E. Book, $6.66, which they have failed to pay as yet. The two accounts were referred some time ago to the Executive Committee for their action. As for Kinzer, it is not necessary for me to say much; the facts as presented in the report of the Ex-

Committee, speak loud enough. I will only add that the affairs have given me a great deal of trouble and extra work.

All of which is respectfully submitted by your Exchange Superintendent,

F. J GRENNY.

Brantford, Ont., July 20th, 1889.

Moved by Hart, seconded by Stone,—That the report of Exchange Superintendent be accepted, and that a vote of thanks be tendered Mr. Grenny for the able manner in which he has conducted his Department.—Carried unanimously.

No reports from Librarian or Purchasing Agent were received.

Report of the Executive was then read.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

To the Members of the C. P. A.

The Executive Committee beg leave to report as follows:

During the past seven months we have had a number of complaints and charges made against parties both in Canada and the United States. There has been but one objection to a person becoming a member, and the charge preferred was found to be one of malice only. There were charges against two other members for debts due another member. Both charges were withdrawn before the cases had been settled by the Executive Committee.

In the case of W. S. Kinzer, prompt action restored confidence. There are several charges against two other members, Messrs. F. O. Creed, (No. 19), and J. H. Gowan, jr., (No. 145). These two refused to answer many letters sent them by the Executive Committee.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. R. HOOPER, Chairman.
F. C. KAY,
C. C. MORENCY.

Moved by Stone seconded by Emory,—That report of Executive Committee be accepted.—Carried.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The President then appointed the Standing Committees as follows:—

FINANCE AND OFFICIAL ORGAN.—W. L. Emory, D. A. King, Theo. Larsen.

LIBRARY.—A. J. Craig, W. H. Goodrich, Theo. Larsen.

EXCHANGE AND PURCHASING DEPARTMENTS.—F. C. Kaye, H. L. Hart, Olaf Larsen.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.—W. C. Stone, A. J. Craig, W. L. Emory, H. L. Hart.

Moved by Stone, seconded by Goodrich,—That this meeting adjourn until to morrow morning at 10.30 o'clock.—Carried.

August 1st.—Morning Session.

Moved by Stone, and seconded by Emory,—That roll-call be dispensed with.—Carried.

Committee on By-laws and Constitution report progress.

The Secretary having furnished the papers in connection with the enquiry respecting only one foreign member in each country, it was moved by Stone, seconded by Hart,—That the ruling of the Executive Committee in reference to foreign members, published in March 1889, of the official organ, be disapproved of, and dispensed with, as it is in direct opposition to article 2, of our Constitution, there being nothing to prevent any number of collectors in foreign countries becoming members, of our Association.—Carried.

Moved by Stone, seconded by Goodrich,—That the next Convention be held at Niagara Falls.

Moved by Craig, seconded by Kaye,—That next Convention be held in Montreal.

On counting the ballots it was found to result:—

Montreal 46
Niagara Falls 3

The time of meeting to be left to the Executive Board, members to have at least three months notice in advance, published in the official organ.

Two resolutions were presented by Mr. Stone, one from Karl C. Miner, the other from H. E. Deats, and were referred to the Committee on the Exchange Department.

Moved by Stone, seconded by Kaye,—That the Convention adjourn until 3.30 p.m.—Carried.

Afternoon Session.

Called to order at 3.40 p.m. Calling of roll and reading of minutes dispensed with.

The committee on official organ presented

their report, and after some discussion it was accepted.

Report of Committee on Finance read and accepted. They report having audited the Treasurer's statement, and found it correct.

Report of Committee on Exchange Department and Purchasing Agent was then read, and referred to committee on By-laws.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EXCHANGE AND PURCHASING DEPARTMENTS.

We report:

In reference to the motion of Mr. K. C. Miner:—"That members of the Association not complying with the first clause of Sec. 2, By-law 5, be debarred from the Exchange Department," be thrown out. But we recommend that all sheets received by the Superintendent not in accordance with Sec. 2, By-law 5, be returned at once to the owner.

That in Sec. 11 the words "Executive Committee" read "Executive Board," so as to agree with the Constitution. That the motion of Mr. H. E. Deats: "That all members of this Association who shall be in arrears to the Exchange Superintendent for one month, after having received his statement of account, shall have his name, with the mount due the Association, published in the Official Journal, the same to remain there until the account is settled," be adopted.

And further that Secs. 5 and 10 of By-law 5 not having been complied with in some cases, that this Convention instruct the Superintendent that these By-laws be strictly enforced. The Committee are highly pleased with the way Mr. Grenny has carried on the Exchange Department as a whole. The number of sheets and amount sent showing that the members have every confidence in him.

Regarding the Purchasing Department, the office appears to be a figure head only, as no reports have been received from the agent, and as far as we know, no business has been done, therefore, in the opinion of this Committee, an explanation should be forthcoming from the agent. Also that the words "Executive Committee" in By-law 6, read Executive Board.

The report of the Committee on the Constitution and By-laws was then read. The following amendments to the By-laws were then recommended:

By-law 3. Change "Executive Board" to "Official Board."

By-law 4. Strike out the last sentence.

By-law 5, Sec. 9. Insert "at any one time," after the words "to be sent."

By-law 5, Sec. 10 Strike out "all the," and insert "at least two" before "Branch Societies;" strike out "and as many" and insert "or twelve" before "individual members." Omit that part of the sentence after "returned to the owner."

By-law 5, Sec. 11. Change "Executive Committee" to "Trustees."

By-law 5, Sec. 17. Change "Executive Committee" to "Trustees."

By-law 9. Change "Executive Committee," to "Trustees."

By-law 11. Strike out the whole By-law.

Also, that a copy of the amended constitution be printed in the official organ.

There not being sufficient members present to vote on it, the Secretary was instructed to have a mail vote taken on the subject, under the direction of the Executive Committee, and also as to whether the Provincial Vice-Presidents be abolished, as there was not sufficient votes cast on this.

Moved by Goodrich, seconded by Kaye.—That the report be accepted.—Carried.

Moved by Stone, seconded by Olaf Larsen,—That the Convention adjourn until to-morrow at 10 a.m.—Carried.

August 2nd.—Morning Session.

Called to order at 10 a.m.

Moved by Stone, seconded by Emory,—That roll call and reading of minutes be dispensed with.—Carried.

The report of committee on counting ballots was then received. Total number of members entitled to vote 115; number of votes necessary to elect (two-thirds of membership), 76; number of votes cast 77, as follows:—

PRESIDENT,—	A. J. Craig	52
"	H. Hechler	21
"	R. A. B. Hart	4
VICE-PRESIDENT.—	E. Y. Parker	71
"	Scattering	5
SECRETARY.—	D. A. King	77

TREASURER.—C. E. Cameron..... 76
" H. L. Hart 1

Moved by Harte, seconded by Kaye,—That the report be adopted.—Carried.

Moved by Stone, seconded by Goodrich,—That the Secretary be instructed to destroy ballots cast at election.—Carried.

The Committee on the Library then read their report, and recommend that the Librarian be required to furnish for publication in the official organ a list of the contents of the Library, and also to present a short quarterly report, which shall be published in the official organ.

Moved by Emory, seconded by Stone,—That the report be adopted.—Carried.

Moved by Stone, seconded by Kaye,—"That this Association expresses its disapproval of such postal contracts as have been lately entered into by certain Central American States, and urges its members to do all they can to discourage the collection of such issues.—Carried.

Moved by Kaye, seconded by Larsen,—That the Chalmers-Hill matter be laid over until the next Convention.

A division was called on this, and resulted in 27 in favour of laying over and 21 not.

Moved by Goodrich, seconded by Olaf Larsen,—That the Secretary be instructed to advertise the benefits of the Association in the Official Organ for the balance of the year.—Carried.

Moved by Stone, seconded by Goodrich,—That a vote of thanks be tendered the Nova Scotia Philatelic Association for their treatment of visiting members.—Carried.

Moved by Harte, seconded by Craig,—That a vote of thanks be extended to our foreign members present. Carried.

Moved by Goodrich, seconded by Harte, that this convention adjourn *sine die*.—Carried.

If you are not a subscriber to this journal or a C. P. A. member and want to see this paper again send along your subscription at once, as we do not propose sending you this paper for nothing. We have several thousand names of collectors and are going to send out sample copies among them. We expect that each one on our list will get about two numbers per year.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

The Secretary having placed in our hands a full list of members who are behind in their dues, an explanation is in order.

The Secretary has repeatedly notified those owing the Association that they are required to settle up, and his many requests have failed to elicit responses from those who should at least pay up and retire without being expelled. Members are requested to bear in mind that the half year's dues are due at the beginning of the half year for which they are paid. There are many who have not sent in their dollar to the Secretary for the current half year and they are again requested to come forward and save the disagreeable business of having repeated duns sent them or their number in the official report.

The following numbers, unless their accounts are sooner settled, will be stricken from the roll of members of C. P. A. next month:—Nos. 19, 54, 81, 83, 92 and 99.

As the Secretary states, it is useless carrying "dead weight," and honorable collectors who wish to retire and avoid being *expelled* should see that their dues are first paid.

The following members are kindly requested to settle for dues owing:—Nos. 8, 12, 26, 30, 31, 32, 41, 51, 59, 60, 70, 71, 76, 88, 91, 112, 115, 121, 132, 136, 157, 173, 177, 182.

We further wish it understood that expelled members will have their names published, as this is only fair to those who are supporting the C. P. A.

Members in arrears for dues are not entitled to the benefits of the Exchange Dept.

By Order of

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Sept. 30th, 1889.

Mr W. C. Stone, of Springfield, Mass., attended the C.P.A. Convention at Halifax and made himself particularly useful and valuable. His experience at the various A.P.A. Conventions was brought into requisition for the benefit and instruction of our attending members, and he was unanimously voted a fine fellow and a most enthusiastic philatelist.

THE CANADIAN PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION.

Organized September, 1887.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT.

GENTLEMEN,—

In my last I spoke of the dues for the current half year not coming in, and I am sorry to say there has been no improvemene, so that I have been compelled to send a list of those who have not paid to the Executive Committee for them to take action upon.

LIST OF APPLICATIONS NO. 14.

JOHN W. ALLEN, Roscoe St., Chicago, Ill. References: Donald A. King, H. L. Hart.

J. S. ROBERTSON, St. Thomas, Ont. References: A. J. Craig, Pictou, N. S., D. A. King.

E. B. STERLING, Trenton, New Jersey. References: A. J. Craig, Pictou; D. A. King.

LIST OF NEW MEMBERS NO. 13.

No. 203—W. H. BROUSE.

No. 204—WM. R. GRAHAM,

All of which is respectfully submitted.

DONALD A. KING,
Secretary.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

Having been appointed Librarian of the C. P. A., I beg to state that I am now arranging and cataloging the Library and will, in the next issue, publish a complete list of books and papers available to the members. I shall do my utmost to make this branch of our society a success, and with the co-operation of the members hope to place the Library on a solid basis.

Contributions in the shape of papers, old catalogues, sale lists, photos, in fact anything Philatelic, thankfully received and due credit given for same in these columns.

Duplicate papers of the Society I will exchange for others.

As yet but eight members have contributed to the Library and one member nearly half of these. I hope this will be taken as a hint for the ninety-and-nine to send a few of their duplicates.

Philatelically yours,
J. R. HOOPER.

RE PHOTOGRAPHS OF MEMBERS.

To the Members of the C. P. A:

You are hereby requested to send in your photographs to the undersigned as soon as possible, with a view of having the large ones done without too much delay. Should there be any one who does not desire to partake in this scheme, kindly drop me a card, mentioning the fact. I would especially impress upon the members the fact that this is not a money making scheme, as I am getting it up solely for the benefit of the Association, and each one will receive a picture at cost price ALL PHOTOS WILL BE RETURNED TO OWNERS AS SOON AS THE WORK IS COMPLETED.

Yours very truly,
V. H. YOUNG,
C. P. A, 1889.

P. O. Box 1896,
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DOMINION PHILATELIST, OCT., 1889.

TO OUR PATRONS AND OTHERS.

Since last we met this journal has changed somewhat, having doubled in size and added a cover, making it one of the largest and finest appearing Stamp papers to be found. We have to thank our patrons who have by their liberal support helped us to do what we have done, and we take this opportunity of informing them that in the future, as in the past, our object will be to please and to give good value for all we receive.

Our subscription list has increased to a much larger extent than we ever anticipated, but we would like to double it before 1890. Until further notice we will send this journal from now until the end of 1890 and a copy Ketcheson's Catalogue of Canada Stamps, 2nd edition, both for 25 cents. Subscribe at once as we have only a limited number of the Catalogue.

We would also like a few more ads from responsible dealers. This journal as an advertising medium cannot be surpassed; it is the only stamp paper published in Canada; it is the official organ of the C. P. A. It has a bona fide circulation of 1,000 copies per month. All sample copies are sent to live collectors. We never send more than two sample copies to one person. Try an advertisement with us and be convinced that what we say is true.

ODDS AND ENDS.

"BY ACADIA."

According to the Eastern Philatelist, Acadia's ears must have been burning very often during Convention week.

It is a misfortune for Canadian collectors and for the C.P.A. in particular that the "Halifax Philatelist" has found it necessary to suspend publication. For the last two years that Journal has been a credit to the fraternity and to its editorial staff. Its articles have been copied by English and American journals and translated for foreign ones, and it is with regret that I write this poor apology for a valedictory. It is to be hoped that at some time in the near future its proprietors will see their way to resuscitate it, as we want more stamp journals in Canada.

No one can have less desire to keep this everlasting Hill-Chalmers discussion before the Philatelic public than Acadia, but owing to the reference made to it in the "American Philatelist" by its correspondent, Mr. W. C. Stone, I feel bound to remark that if the Chalmers men of the American section of the C. P. A., imagine that they can obtain any endorsement of their champion's spurious claim, they will be sadly disappointed at the next Convention of the C. P. A. They will find it as hopeless a task as trying to keep Mr. C. B. Corwin from "kicking." Canadians are, so far as I am aware solid Hill men, and our American friends will find them fairly well up on the question when the time comes for voting upon it. I am half inclined to think that the inclination to side with Chalmers, evidenced by our Yankee friends is just the spirit which crops out in so many American newspapers and politicians. The desire to give the British Lion's tail another twist, the distinctly Anti-British feeling which prevades a portion of the great American nation, and not the most desirable portion of it either.

We sincerely hope that our Philatelist friends are above that sort of thing, and trust that the Montreal Convention will give this matter its quietus at once and forever.

The canvass for proxies by certain members of the A. P. A. previous to the meeting of Convention was by odds the keenest in the history of the Association. It is unfortunate that the interests, objects or intentions of the prominent members are so inimical. The results of these continued quarrels and contentions are very much against the best interests of the Association. Several members showed an anxiety to secure support, which augurs badly for the feelings of their opponents if they get the backing they solicited so freely. One redeeming feature about the whole affair is the universal respect which all parties show to their President. We, of the C. P. A., are to be congratulated upon the friendliness which is to be seen in all quarters, nothing having yet occurred to destroy the harmony of our affairs.

With all respect for Mr. Stone, and with many thanks as a member of the C. P. A. for his reports of the Halifax Convention, published in the *American Philatelist*, I beg to differ with him regarding the number of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick shillings he saw on exhibition. There were six (6) Nova Scotia shillings shown and three (3) New Brunswick shillings, making a total of nine specimens. With one exception these were the property of Halifax collectors, and every stamp has a history of its own. In almost every instance they can be traced back nearly to date of issue as they passed from hand to hand, most of them having graced the primitive collections of our fathers, our uncles or our big brothers, who were struck with the first stamp collecting epidemic early in the sixties. The point I wish to make is, that while I do not attribute to Mr. Stone any desire or intention to injure the value of Nova Scotia or New Brunswick shillings in the market, still, his remarks might have that effect to a certain extent, and would lead collectors, who know but little of the difficulties of obtaining such stamps, to suppose that a stamp fiend down here has only to look through a few old letters to find a shilling stamp any day, when the fact is that the specimens referred to have been in sight for the last twenty to thirty years. Good evidence of their scarcity is the fact that Halifax collectors have paid as high $25 for a single used specimen. I believe I am safe in saying that Mr. Stone cannot find in all Canada 12 other Nova Scotia and New Brunswick shillings. If he desires to undertake the task, and succeeds, I will guarantee to give him the privilege of securing as fine a specimen as he ever saw at half-price.

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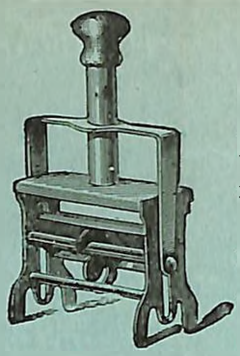

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